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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION JAKARTA, KATHMANDU, OTTAWA, OSLO, WARSAW,
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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON UNEF BUILDUP AND US ASSISTANCE
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1. FOLLOWING IS WRAP-UP, AS OF NOVEMBER 19, OF THE CURRENT
STATUS OF UNEF BUILDUP IN MIDDLE EAST AND ROLE CURRENTLY
BEING PLAYED BY US; IT IS INTENDED AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION
FOR EMBASSIES IN DEALING WITH HOST COUNTRY UNEF CONTRIBU-
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2. UNEF: AFTER INITIAL RAPID BUILDUP TO ABOUT 600 MEN, DRAWN FROM UNFICYP AND FERRIED BY BRITISH AIRCRAFT, UNEF GROWTH SLOWED TO MORE GRADUAL PACE. THIS PERMITTED UN TO SQUARE AWAY UNEF LOGISTICS 'TAIL' BEFORE INSERTING LINE TROOPS FROM NATIONALITIES OTHER THAN FOUR (FINNS, AUSTRIANS, SWEDES, AND IRISH) INITIALLY INSERTED FROM CYPRUS. THERE WERE ALSO DELAYS ASSOCIATED WITH INITIAL EGYPTIAN RELUCTANCE TO PERMIT US MAC AIRCRAFT TO LAND, LEADING UN TO REQUEST USSR TO COMPLETE FINNISH AUGMENTATION.

SPORADIC QUALITY OF SOVIET AIRLIFT OF FINNS AND AUSTRIANS HAS FURTHER DELAYED UNEF BUILDUP TO PLANNED FULL STRENGTH OF THOSE ORIGINAL CONTINGENTS. FINALLY, THERE HAVE BEEN DELAYS AND CONFUSION IN ASSEMBLING AFRICANS FOR UNEF.

3. NEW PHASE IN UNEF BUILDUP BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 16, HOWEVER, WITH LIFT TO ISRAEL BY USAF AIRCRAFT OF 50-MAN ADVANCE PARTY OF PERU'S 500-MAN CONTRIBUTION, THE FIRST FLOWN DIRECTLY TO ISRAEL AND THE FIRST INSERTION OF LINE FORCES FROM NATION OTHER THAN ORIGINAL FOUR. AS OF NOW, UNEF NUMBERS MORE THAN 2400, AND BY EARLY DECEMBER, WHEN THE INSERTION OF PERUVIAN, PANAMANIAN, AND INDONESIAN BATTALIONS WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, UNEF COULD SWELL TO OVER 4000, INCLUDING POLISH AND CANADIAN LOGISTICS AND COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT FORCES. ACHIEVEMENT OF UNEF'S TARGET STRENGTH OF 7000--WHICH WILL REQUIRE COMPLETION OF DEPLOYMENTS OF BATTALION-SIZE UNITS FROM NEPAL, GHANA, SENEGAL, AND PROBABLY KENYA (BUT NOT ZAIRE)--WILL PROBABLY NOT OCCUR UNTIL LATE DECEMBER, NEARLY TWO MONTHS INTO UNEF'S INITIAL SIX-MONTH PERIOD.

4. SOVIET AIRLIFT TO DATE, ACCOMPLISHED WITH TURBOPROP AIRCRAFT, HAS INCLUDED LIFT OF SEVERAL HUNDRED FINNS AND BULK OF THEIR 400-PLUS TONS OF EQUIPMENT FROM HELSINKI AND LIFT OF SEVERAL HUNDRED AUSTRIANS AND THEIR EQUIPMENT FROM VIENNA. WE ANTICIPATE UN MAY ASK RUSSIANS TO LIFT

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GHANAIANS AND SENEGALESE, AND POSSIBLY KENYANS; RUSSIANS MAY ALSO BE ASKED TO LIFT NEPALESE, BUT BRITISH ALSO ARE POSSIBLE PROVIDERS OF LIFT IF THEY WILL AGREE TO DO IT ON SAME NON-REIMBURSEABLE BASIS AS THEIR FIRST LIFT FROM CYPRUS AND AS US AND USSR LIFTS HAVE BEEN TO DATE.

5. SWEDES, WITH SOME HELP FROM RUSSIANS AND NORWEGIANS, HAVE HANDLED BULK OF THEIR OWN LIFT USING NATIONAL

RESOURCES; SO ALSO HAVE CANADIANS AND POLES.

6. USAF LIFT, ACCOMPLISHED WITH C-130 AND C-141 AIRCRAFT HAS INCLUDED LIFTS OF: (A) ADVANCE FINNISH CONTINGENT AND THEIR GEAR FROM HELSINKI; (B) IRISH AUGMENTATION AND THEIR EQUIPMENT FROM DUBLIN TO CAIRO; OF PERUVIANS, BEGINNING WITH AN ADVANCE PARTY OF 40 PANAMANIAN AND MORE THAN 100 TONS OF THEIR GEAR ON NOVEMBER 19. US HAS ALSO BEEN OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO THE UN IN LOCATING AND AIR-LIFTING EQUIPMENT TO CAIRO FROM UTAH, NEBRASKA, NEW YORK, AND PISA, ITALY. INCLUDED IN THESE LIFTS HAVE BEEN SUCH DIVERSE CARGOS AS C-RATIONS (25,000 POUNDS), SAND-BAGS (50,000), MOSQUITO NETS (8,000), JERRY CANS (3500),

COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT (100,000 POUNDS), AND MAP SETS BY THE HUNDRED.

7. WE EXPECT TO COMPLETE PANAMANIAN AND PERUVIAN LIFTS AND TO BEGIN INDONESIAN LIFT BEFORE END OF NOVEMBER; WE ALSO HAVE REQUEST PENDING TO ASSIST THE SWEDES IN ROTATING SOME OF THEIR UNEF FORCES.

8. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE BEEN HELPFUL IN GETTING PANAMANIAN AND INDONESIAN CONTINGENTS FULLY EQUIPPED. WE SPEEDED UP DELIVERY OF RADIOS ALREADY IN INDONESIA MAP PIPELINE AND WE APPROVED FMS PURCHASES PROMPTLY FOR ITEMS PANAMANIAN WANTS TO TAKE WITH THEM.

9. UNTSO: LITTLE HAS ACTUALLY HAPPENED WITH REGARD TO AUGMENTING THE EXISTING UNTSO OBSERVER FORCE MADE UP OF 213 OFFICERS FROM 16 COUNTRIES. UNSYG HAS INFORMED
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SECURITY COUNCIL OF US-USSR AGREEMENT ON EXPANSION AND HAS DIRECTED THE CHIEF, UNTSO, TO PUT IT INTO OPERATION BY INCORPORATING 36 SOVIET OBSERVERS INTO UNTSO AND TO ADD 28 AMERICAN OBSERVERS TO THE 8-MAN AMERICAN CONTINGENT ALREADY SERVING IN UNTSO.

10. FOR JAKARTA AND KATHMANDU: THIS IS LATEST INFORMATION WE HAVE ON MODE AND TIMING OF INSERTIONS OF INDONESIAN AND NEPALESE CONTINGENTS (JAKARTA 2566 AND KATHMANDU 4723 AND 4786 NOTAL; SEE ALSO USUN 4911 NOTAL, RECEIVED AFTER ABOVE WAS WRITTEN. KISSINGER

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